

Senator Beutler or Senator DeCamp or Senator Landis I think a little bit differently about it. But what scares me is when the pharmacists say the danger of these products is three-fold, first the nonprescription drugs contain and then can be physically harmful, unsuspecting individuals who believe they are taking a look-alike who sometimes receive the real drug, and worst of all young people in our state who purchase these products from their friends can be lulled into thinking that drug abuse is harmless and fun and can be more easily persuaded to abuse more powerful prescription drugs. I think that is the strongest argument for the bill right there. But I also think, with Senator Chambers, and Senator Landis, and Senator DeCamp, that we have to be very careful that we don't overreact and use a shotgun to shoot down a flea. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Senator Chambers, do you wish to be recognized again?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Chairman and members of the Legislature, I'm talking for the record now, not to change anybody's mind. I do give talks periodically at Westside High School. Invariably, after I get through the kids come up to me, and if any of you know any of the teachers out there who have invited me, it's the government class, they will tell you how the kids stand around afterward and talk. One of the things invariably they will say is that I wish my parents would talk to me like you talk to me. I say, what do you mean? They say, they are willing to get me a counselor, they will come up here and have the teacher talk to me, they will talk about halfway houses, they will talk about taking me to juvenile court, but there is nothing I can talk to them about that is a problem. If I want to talk about birth control, they think I'm talking about being promiscuous and they don't want to talk about that or say go talk to the teacher or the preacher. There is not communication between a lot of those people who were down here to the Legislature and their children. What is a child to think about the use of drugs when he or she learns, not on the street, but by looking in the medicine cabinet. When the mother gets upset she takes valium. When the father comes home, if he's not loaded already, then he's got some uppers or some downers, and they are not getting it on the street as a look-alike. There are doctors prescribing and there are pharmacists delivering and they know that these drugs are not being used for a medicinal purpose and the